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## In Memoriam

MARTHA GOODSON  
JONES

Died Jan. 31, 1946



# Dedication...

It has been our good fortune to portray for our community the leading personalities of our Alumni as well as the various heights or attainments reached by each. Gathering this information has been an exceedingly enjoyable experience and we take this opportunity to thank those graduates who have cooperated so willingly with this our first annual project. We know that various circumstances make it impossible for some of our Alumni to participate but we know that their good wishes are with us.

To establish a record of this sort is truly an undertaking that can easily be justified by the many achievements already made by our alumni and by the aspirations of those who are still laboring to achieve their goals.

It is our sincere desire that in years to come you may sit with this book of memories and be proud of the role you have played in the vital chapter of the history and progress of our school.

Because you Alumni saw fit to be great leaders and keenly-felt students at dear ole Cooper, because you were wise enough in spite of many difficulties to finish your post-graduate work, because you have made the way when the way was dark and because you are now so dutifully working at your chosen vocation to serve your community, state, and country—we of the class of 1946 are proud to dedicate to you, our deserving alumni, this the first volume of THE ZENITH.



## ALUMNI LUMINARIES

MRS. ORA L. CLARKE RODGERS

Class of '36

*Graduate of Stark's Beauty College*  
Cosmetologist at the Acme Beauty Shoppe,  
Clayton, N. C.



SUSIE JANE WATSON

Class of '38

*Graduate of Stark's Beauty College*  
Owner of Acme Beauty Shoppe,  
Clayton, N. C.



ALUMNI LUMINARIES



MRS. ROSA TOOLE CURTIS

Class of '33

*Graduate of Payne's Business College*  
Cashier-clerk of N. C. Mutual office,  
Raleigh, N. C.

EVELYN McNEIL

Class of '37

*B. S., Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C.*  
Home Economic Instructor, J. C. T. S.,  
Smithfield, N. C.

GENEVA HILL

Class of '37

*B. A., Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.*  
Member of faculty of R. B. Harrison School,  
Selma, N. C.

MRS. M. ELOUISE H. SHARROD

Class of '33

*A. B., Elizabeth City State Teachers College*  
Member of faculty at Richard B. Harrison School,  
Selma, N. C.

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## MISS DORIS LEWIS

*B. A., Fayetteville*

Member of faculty

Class of '39

*State Teachers College*

Lumberton, N. C.

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*Graduate of Sanatorium Hospital*

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Cosmetologist, co-owner of shop in Raleigh, N. C.

## MISS ELLA WATSON

Class of '38

*Graduate of Stark's Beauty College*

At present inspector for General Electric,

Newark, N. J.

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Class of '36

*A. B., Shaw University*Member of faculty at R. B. Harrison School,  
Selma, N. C.

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Class of '35

*B. A., Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.**English & French teacher at Perr's High School*

Louisburg, N. C.

## MRS. FRANCES S. THOMAS, R. N.

Class of '36

*Nurse in Cleveland, Ohio*

## ELMA BARNES

Class of '41

*B. S., Winston-Salem Teachers College*  
Member of faculty at Four Oaks, N. C.

## MRS. LOUISE GOODSON DuBISETTE

Class of '37

*B. S., Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C.*

Head of Science Dept. at Dillard High School,

Greensboro, N. C.

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Class of '35

*B. S., Elizabeth City Teachers College*

Member of faculty, Fremont, N. C.

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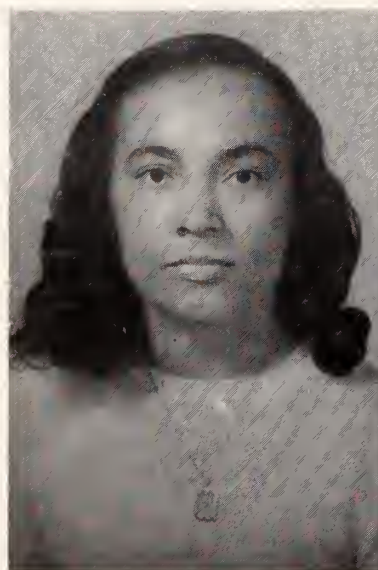


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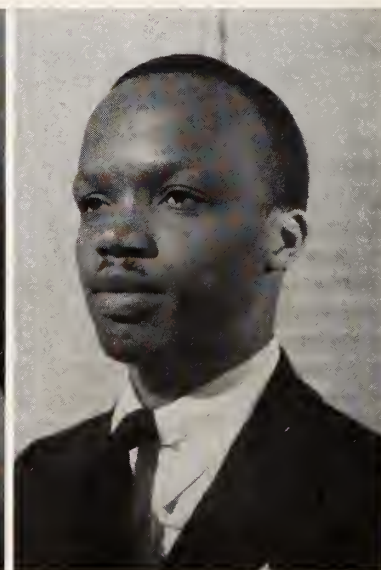
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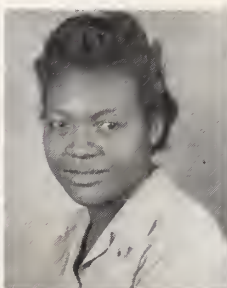
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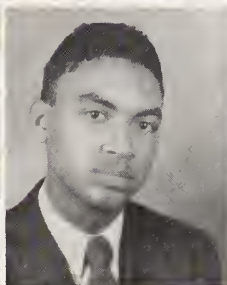
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Star Scout Promotion*



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*Star Scout*



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*Star Scout*

## SENIORS



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Captain of Patrol System, Editor-in-Chief of Cooper Herald, Historian of Home Economics Club, President of 4 H Club, Treasurer of Junior Class, Chaplain of 3 W Club, President of Senior Class, President of 3 W Club.

(Jonesville)

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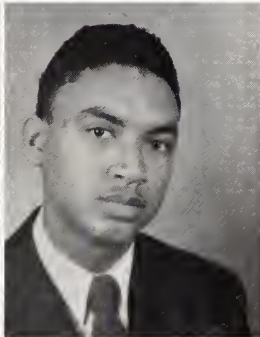
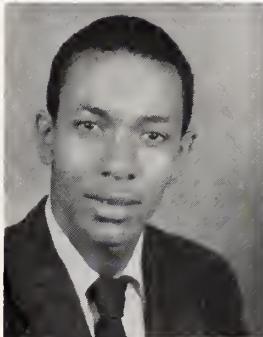
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## SENIORS



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## SENIORS



Hazel Earl Morgan

*"Tootsie"*

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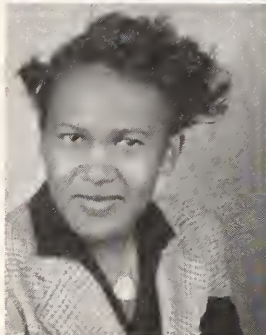
## SENIORS



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*"Pee Wee"*

Program Committee of Class, Glee Club, 3 W Club, Home Economic Club, 4 H Club, Cooper Herald Staff.



Nellie Bryant Peacock

*"Nellie Pea"*

Secretary of Senior Class, Secretary of Junior Class, Assistant Secretary of Dramatic Club, Secretary of 4 H Club, Secretary of Home Economic Club.

Mable Rebecca Rowland

*"Beck"*

Secretary of Sophomore Class, Secretary of Cooper Herald, Editor-in-Chief of Cooper, Dramatic Club, President of Home Economic Club, President of Piney Grove 3 W Club, School Bus Patrolman.

Addie Louise Sanders

*"Sister"*

Dramatic Club, Sec. of Jonesville W. W. W. Club, Social Committee of Senior Class.



Ethel Lois Sanders

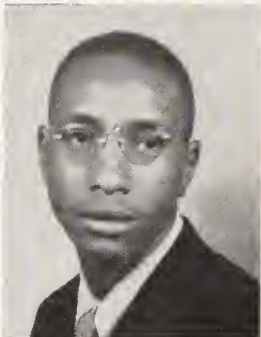
*"Punch"*

Cooper Herald Staff, Home Economic Club, 4 H Club, 3 W Club Assistant Secretary, Band, School Nurse, Dramatic Club, Assistant Secretary Class, Social Committee.

Gwendolyn Elizabeth Smith

*"Green"*

President of Dancing Class, Student Librarian, Glee Club, Band, 4 H Club, 3 W Club, Dramatic Club, Home Economic Club, Cooper Herald Staff, Office Helper, Commencement Committee of Senior Class, Class Record Keeper.



James Alec Tomlinson

*"Jimmie"*

School Bus Driver, School Band.

Grace Toole

*"Squady"*

Vice President Dancing Class, Secretary of Patrol System, Majorette, Dramatic Club, Assistant Editor Cooper Herald, Civic Committee of 3 W Club, 4 H Club, Student Librarian, Debating Team, Art Class, Office Work, Journal and Guide Committee, Program Committee of Class.



Nettie Gean Watson

*"Nank"*

Treasurer of Sophomore and Senior Class, Dramatic Club, 4 H Club Lee's Cross Road, 3 W Club, Assistant School Nurse, Home Economic Club, Chairman of Constitution Committee.

## CLASS SONG

*(Tune: Bells of St. Mary)*

The bells of ole Cooper will n'er ring in vain,  
Although we are parting we'll come back again.  
Our true love, Alma Mater, will never deceive you,  
'Cause look at all that you have done to see us through.

The halls of ole Cooper will grow tall and strong,  
Although we are leaving, our spirit'll linger on.  
Our true love, Alma Mater, will never grow cool;  
But oh, we'll miss the melody of this grand school.  
—Grace Toole.

## CLASS POEM



Dear Cooper High we hate to leave  
We hate to part from you.  
We'll go but we will n'er forget  
The things you brought us through.

You taught us how to read and write.  
You taught us how to add.  
You stuck by us through thick and thin,  
To leave you—oh, how sad!

Please don't forget us Cooper High  
For we land, cherish and love you.  
Just these four words please don't forget—  
Nous vous aimons beaucoup.  
—Alberta Lee.



## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT



We, the class of nineteen hundred and forty-six, on the eve of graduation, do hereby make our last will and testament.

To Cooper High we bequeath our undying gratitude for all that she has done to develop our three-fold life—mental, spiritual and physical.

To the faculty and officers of the administration, we bequeath our gratitude for the loving and inspiring guidance during these four years of toils and struggles.

To our loving parents and guardians we bequeath from the depths of our hearts a fuller and richer appreciation for the struggles and efforts that they put forth for us during these years of depression.

To the Juniors, we bequeath our loyalty, sincerity, cooperative attitude in school.

To the Sophomores, our sister class, we bequeath our sincere interest in school activities, our zeal to encourage others to attain and hold high standards, and our prayers for future success.

To the freshmen, we bequeath our studiousness and carefully planned methods of study, and more pleasant and happier Sophomore year.

To those coming after us, we bequeath all those things they seek in an ideal school.

A campus full of beauty, physical and spiritual, and a school of inspiration, joy and happy remembrances, and all the facilities for a well rounded education.

Rhoda Morgan wills her fatness to tiny Estelle Harris of the Junior class.

Naomi Hood wills her smallness to fat Lucy Badget.

Nellie Peacock wills her ability to keep her hair dressed to Lucille Moore.

VeElla Jenkins wills her ability to strut to Earoline Mitchell.

Ruth Clarke wills Gordon Hinton to Dorothy Graves.

Ethel Sanders wills her pleasing personality to Marie Spells.

Marjorieline Henry wills Grover Sanders to Ozzie Bell Spells.

Josephine Hood wills Alexander Richardson to Shirley Watson.

Addie Sanders wills her ability to wear a pompadour to Sophierine Watson.

Grace Toole wills her fine clothes to Lois Tomlinson.

Nettie Jean Watson wills Raymond Richardson to Christine Holden.

Mable Rowland wills William Henry Watson to Ruby Fowler.

Hazel Morgan wills her tallness to Hazeline Henry.

Carrie Lipscomb wills her number 13 shoes to Sarah Watson who wears size 5.

Jessie Lee Byrd wills her Captain Badge to Charlie Sanders.

Gwendolyn Smith wills Pvt. Lewis Tomlinson to Louise Everette.

Henry Goodson wills his punctuality to James Ruffin.

Rayford Earp wills his fatness to Charlie Sanders.

Signed on this twenty-seventh day of May in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-six, at Cooper High School, Clayton, N. C.

*Witnesses:*

RUTH CLARKE  
VEELLA JENKINS  
RHODA MORGAN  
MARJORIELINE HENRY  
CARRIE LIPSCOMB  
GRACE TOOLE  
JESSIE LEE BYRD

*The Senior Class*

MABLE ROWLAND

*Legal Representative*

## "CLASS HISTORY"



Nineteen forty-two was a big year for this world. The United States had been in war for nearly a year, Franklin D. Roosevelt was the president of the U. S. and the class of '46 found its way into high school. Four years have passed since then—the U. S. is no longer at war, our president, a great leader of the U. S., Franklin D. Roosevelt has died and the class of '46 has finally reached the peak of its nineteen forty-two ambition—graduation.

With fifty members in our freshmen class and Miss G. O. Howard as the home room teacher we found ourselves in nineteen forty-two engaged in the following subjects: English, Algebra, Home Economics and Civics. In our class organization we were led by Henry Goodson as president, Ethel Sanders as secretary and Nettie Jean Watson as treasurer. We were engaged in the following extra-activities: the band, the glee club, and the Dramatic Club. One by one our boys were drafted away to the army. By the end of the year quite a few had drifted away from us but the rest of us held our own and drifted on to the next grade.

Being forty in number we became less noisy and more business like in 1943 with Mr. Cannady as our adviser and Rayford Earp as our president. We were engaged in many dramatic activities. Grace Toole, Ethel Sanders, and Rayford Earp did outstanding performances in the popular play "Dixon's Kitchen." Our Junior-Senior Prom was a great success. Members of our class were organizers and leaders of the W. W. W. Club with the presidents of all chapters coming from our class. They were Jessie Lee Byrd, Jonesville president; Alberta Lee, president of Henderson Powhatan chapter; Mable Rowland, president of Piney Grove chapter; Nettie Jean Watson, president of Lee's Cross Road chapter, and Ruth Clarke is Charter-club president and is considered General President of the entire organization. Hazel Morgan is also general chaplain of this organization.

Because our class is the first twelfth grade, we were the senior class for two years. It was quite a job for us to get started in the eleventh grade for we were in need of leadership ourselves. We elected Hazel Morgan as our president to lead us and with the help of our advisor, Miss A. J. Kennedy, we were led from roughness and insincerity to dignity, sincerity, and seriousness. There were twenty-seven of us and our activities were outstanding. We loved Cooper better than ever and we tried to show it by donating an electric clock which hangs in the front entrance hallway.

We entered the twelfth grade with twenty-one members. Our boys began coming back and we really began going places. Our advisor, Miss Kennedy, and our president, Jessie Lee Byrd, boosted our school spirit much higher by creating more interest in personality and social development as well as vocational interest. During this year we have been busy, indeed. Our activities were outstanding and our projects were many. We studied French 2, English 4, Basic Arithmetic, Sociology and Chemistry. Our major project was the annual and we were busy making our twelfth year in school the best year we had ever spent. Our Dramatic Club sent Grace Toole, Rayford Earp, Nettie J. Watson, Josephine Hood and Henry Goodson to the Dramatic Festival held at Rocky Mount. Our class play, "Little Women," might be considered a great undertaking since it is a classic. Members of our class have been very helpful in publishing the paper "Cooper Herald." Those who have worked on the Cooper Herald Staff and who deserve mentioning are Editor, Gwendolyn Smith; Associate Editors, Marjorieline Henry and Alberta Lee; Business Manager, Ruth Clarke; Assistant Business Managers, Ethel Sanders and Hazel Morgan; Feature Editor, Mable Rowland; Cartoonist, Henry Goodson; Typists, Grace Toole and Naomi Hood.

We have tried to make everything better this year and we thank Miss Kennedy, our advisor, and our other high school teachers, Mr. J. A. Holden and Mr. N. L. Cannady, for helping to prepare us for the biggest school of all—the school of life.

We all have selected our vocations and we challenge you to watch the history we will make in the future.

*Historian:*

NETTIE JEAN WATSON

*Recorders:*

MABLE ROWLAND  
RUTH CLARKE

## AN OPEN LETTER TO JUNIORS



Dear Juniors :

It is our peculiar privilege to hand over to the class, which now ceases to be Juniors and automatically acquires the dignity of Seniors, the position which we the graduating class of '46 have formerly occupied. We would like to say to you Juniors that you must remember and strive to search for the finer and greater kindness, little deeds of thoughtfulness and neighborliness will bring you rich rewards. We hope that when we come back next year we will find you making a great deal of progress. We hope you will be going forward not backward. Always remember that—

"It isn't the size or number that determine whether you will become great or not but it is being the best of whatever you are and doing the best with whatever you have."

*Sincerely yours,*

RUTH CLARKE and MABLE ROWLAND,



Lucile  
Moore

Tommy  
Tomlinson

Estelle  
Harris

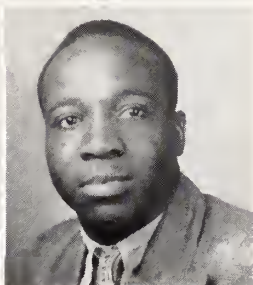
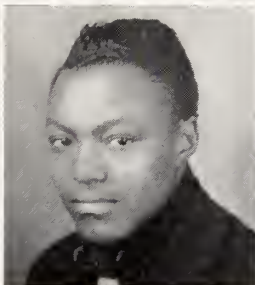
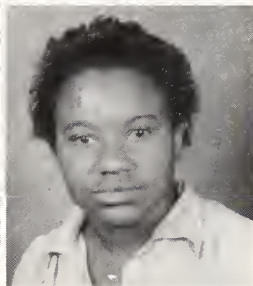
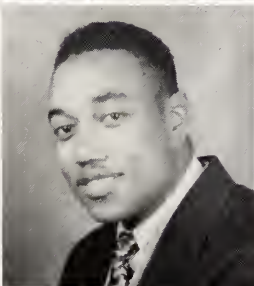
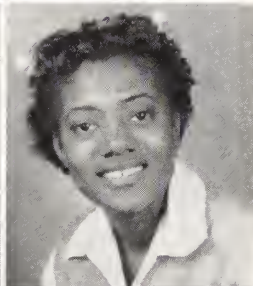
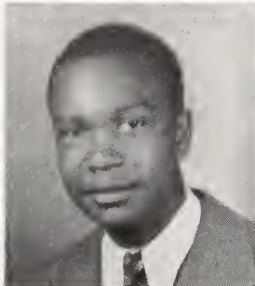
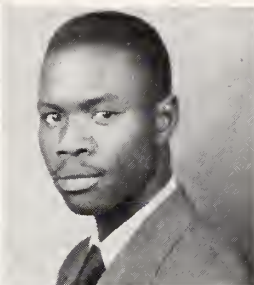
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Alexander  
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Marie  
Spells

Minnie  
Crowder



Shirley  
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Frank  
Emory

Herman  
Mitchell

Lois  
Tomlinson

Harriette  
Goodson

Earline  
Mitchell

Lee Earl  
Horton

Nelson  
Archibald

JUNIORS



## SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

|                                                  |                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Alberta Lee.....                                 | <i>Most comical girl</i>              |
| Nettie G. Watson.....                            | <i>Most reserved and refined girl</i> |
| Gwendolyn Smith.....                             | <i>Most uncertain</i>                 |
| Carrie Lipscomb.....                             | <i>Biggest jiver among girls</i>      |
| Hazel Morgan.....                                | <i>Most serious minded young lady</i> |
| Ethel Sanders.....                               | <i>Most fickle minded young lady</i>  |
| Rayford Earp.....                                | <i>Most conservative young man</i>    |
| Grace Toole.....                                 | <i>Best dramatic belle</i>            |
| Addie Sanders.....                               | <i>Tallest girl</i>                   |
| Josephine Hood.....                              | <i>Neatest girl</i>                   |
| Rayford Earp.....                                | <i>Biggest jiver among boys</i>       |
| Gwendolyn Smith.....                             | <i>Athletic belle</i>                 |
| Mable Rowland.....                               | <i>Quietest girl</i>                  |
| Jessie Byrd, Hazel Morgan, Ruth Clarke.....      | <i>Best leaders in class</i>          |
| Rhoda Morgan.....                                | <i>Smallest girl</i>                  |
| Naomi Hood.....                                  | <i>Most sympathetic young lady</i>    |
| Rhoda Morgan.....                                | <i>Most winning smile</i>             |
| Marjorieline Henry.....                          | <i>Most attractive young lady</i>     |
| Henry Goodson.....                               | <i>Laziest boy</i>                    |
| Rayford Earp.....                                | <i>Biggest filibuster in class</i>    |
| Ethel Sanders.....                               | <i>Most appealing personality</i>     |
| Henry Goodson.....                               | <i>Neatest boy</i>                    |
| Alberta Lee.....                                 | <i>Belle making greatest progress</i> |
| Henry Goodson.....                               | <i>Most versatile boy</i>             |
| Ruth Clarke.....                                 | <i>Most versatile girl</i>            |
| Hazel Morgan.....                                | <i>Most musically inclined</i>        |
| Ethel Sanders, Gwendolyn Smith, Ruth Clarke..... | <i>Most popular members of class</i>  |
| Ruth Clarke.....                                 | <i>Best all around scholar</i>        |
| Velma Jenkins.....                               | <i>Class pessimist</i>                |
| Hazel Morgan.....                                | <i>Class optimist</i>                 |

## CLASS STATISTICS

|                             |                                      |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Greatest class faults.....  | <i>Noisiness, jealousy, laziness</i> |
| Greatest class virtues..... | <i>Leadership, personality</i>       |

## VOCATIONAL SURVEY

|                   |   |                            |   |
|-------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| Nurse .....       | 3 | Cosmetologists .....       | 3 |
| Teachers .....    | 3 | Dress maker.....           | 1 |
| Music .....       | 1 | Dietician .....            | 1 |
| Secretaries ..... | 4 | Dancing and dramatics..... | 1 |
| Farm agent.....   | 1 | Electricians .....         | 1 |
| Doctor .....      | 1 |                            |   |



# SOPHOMORE



1st row—John Williams, Elizabeth Tomlinson, Alonzo Tomlinson, Elousie Byrd, Dorothy Watson.

2nd row—Elnora Heath, Hazeline Henry, Helen Peacock, Royestine Rand, Rubystein Judkins.

3rd row—Harvey Jones, Charlie Sanders, Goldie Holden, David Price, Sophorine Watson.

4th row—Estelle Christmas, James Ruffin, Irene Finch, Ernest Lambert, Grover Sanders.

5th row—Ruth Hunter, John Whitley, Parthenia Hood, Earoline McClamb.



## ALUMNI IN COLLEGE



Elsie M. Watson '42  
*Shaw University '46*

Justin McNeil '43  
*N. C. State '48*

Geneva Gardner '41  
*Shaw University '46*

Christine Watson '44  
*Shaw University '48*

Katherine Penny '42  
*Fayetteville T. C. '46*

Eliza Clarke '41  
*W. S. Teachers College '46*

Jessie M. Sanders '42  
*Fayetteville T. C. '48*

Sarah McClamb '43  
*St. Augustine '47*

Hopie N. Tomlinson '46  
*W. S. Teachers College '46*

Alberta Exum '42  
*W. S. Teachers College '47*

Rosa L. Whitley '44  
*St. Augustine '48*

Pearl Earp '43  
*Elizabeth City '47*

Martha G. Jones '41  
*St. Augustine College (Deceased)*



# FRESHMAN



1st row —Doris Leach, Dorothy Byrd, Cora Mae Rowland, Ruby Fowler, Roosevelt Sanders, Alma Sanders.

2nd row—Elizabeth Vinson, Odell Mitchell, Esther Clarke, Rochelle Mitchell, Fred Penny, Gordon Hinton.

3rd row—Lillie Cooper, Aruth Sanders, Malisso Mitchell, Bernice Emory, Vinca Sanders, Edward Penny.

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## STUDENT ACTIVITIES



Outstanding educators have long recognized the important part that extra-curricula activities have played in determining success achieved. That is true because it has been proved that no one can be expected to know how to do anything with any degree of perfection unless he has had enough experience for that particular quality to be developed. To that end it has been our desire to encourage those activities in our school that develop in the student character, leadership, and service as well as extra learning activities.

Under the leadership of our far-sighted principal, Mr. N. L. Cannady, our school was the first to organize a Scout Troop in this county. Boy Scout Troop 30 with Mr. J. Anderson Holden as Scout Master has enjoyed three years of successful service to this community. Cooper can now boast of 3 Star Scouts—Grover Sanders, Lee Earl Horton and John Whitley. These are the first Negro Star Scouts of Johnston County. The W. W. W. Club, which stands for Willingness to Serve, Wholesome Recreation and Finer Womanhood, celebrated its second anniversary April 10 of this year. There are five older-girl groups—Clayton Charter Club, Henderson-Powhatan Chapter, Lee's Cross Road Chapter, Piney Grove Chapter and Jonesville Chapter and one Cradle-Club Zany. This organization is proud of cooperation received from its community advisers: Mrs. H. Goodson, Mrs. L. B. Watson, Sr., Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Lottie Mitchell, and others. Certainly Boy Scout Troop No. 30 and W. W. W. Club—our character building clubs—have exerted a far-reaching influence on our community life.

In this connection mention must be made of the fact that our Boy Scout Troop and W. W. W. Club, Inc., are sponsored by our Parent Teacher Association of which Mrs. Melissa Bowlden is president. Through the efforts of our P. T. A. we will soon have a "Community Hut" which will serve as a meeting place for our various Community Clubs including the Young Men's Improvement Club and the Community Club.

For student leadership and participation in government we have looked to our Patrol System which is a great avenue for learning leadership qualities.

Through participation in the School Band, Creative Dance Group, Dramatic Club, Home Economics Club, 4H Club and participation on the Cooper Herald Staff, extra-learning activities are afforded in various ways.

Student participation on the Library Staff is an avenue for extra learning activities as well as a chance to render service to the school.

Services that our students render as a vital part of our extra-curricular program may be highly regarded dependable learning habits that will aid each one to become a successful person in life if only these things are absorbed. Finally, we hope that through these activities our slogan—"Let our product speak for itself"—be realized.



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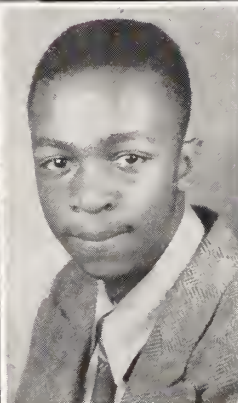
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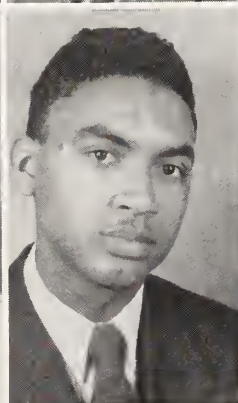
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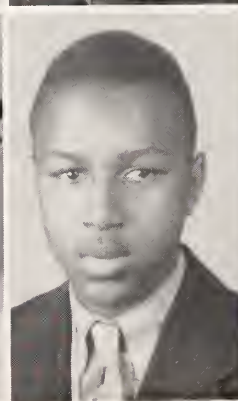
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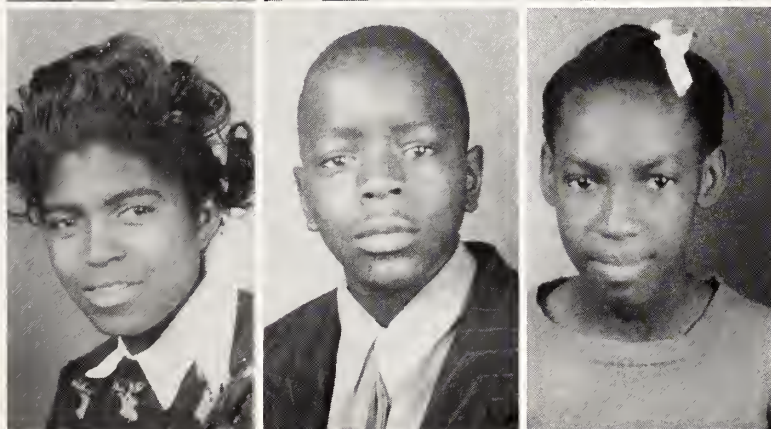
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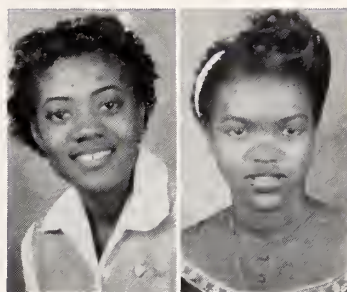
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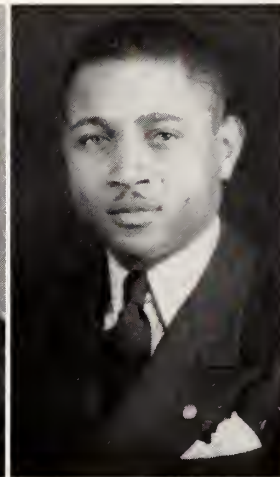
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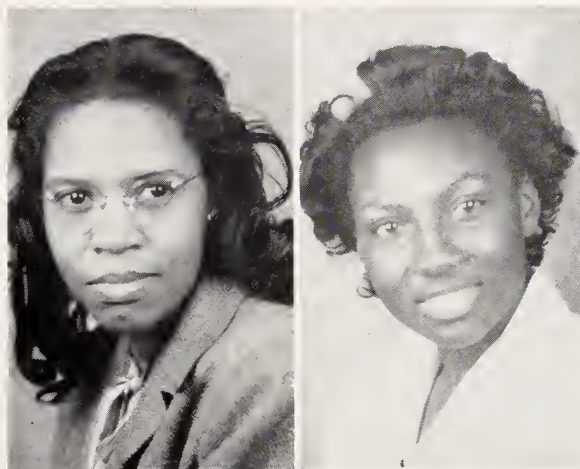
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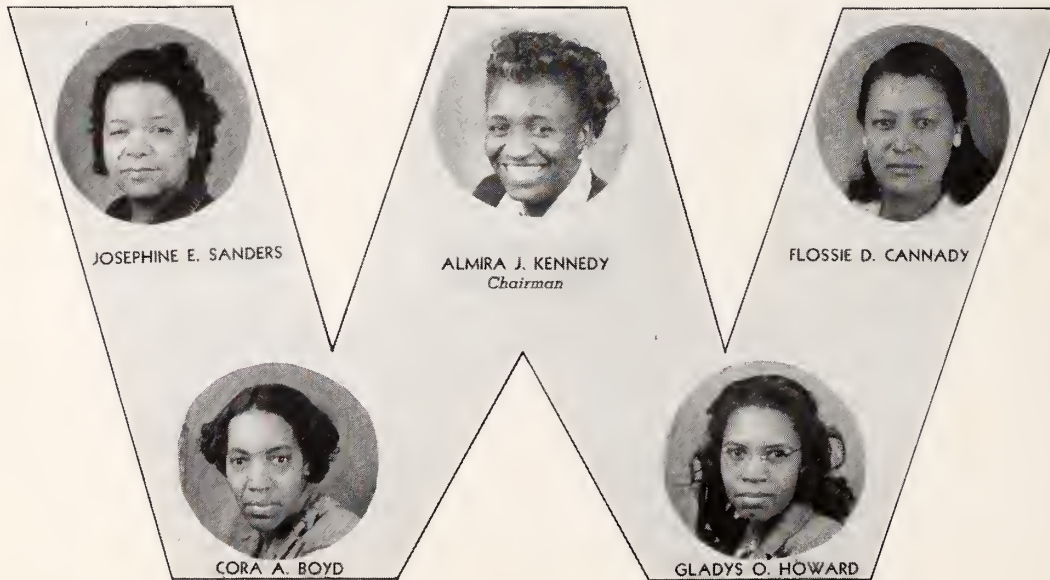
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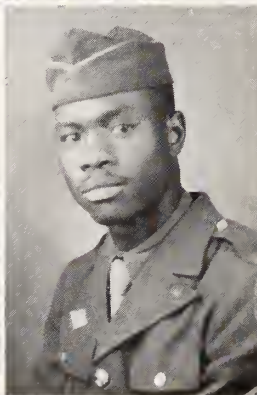
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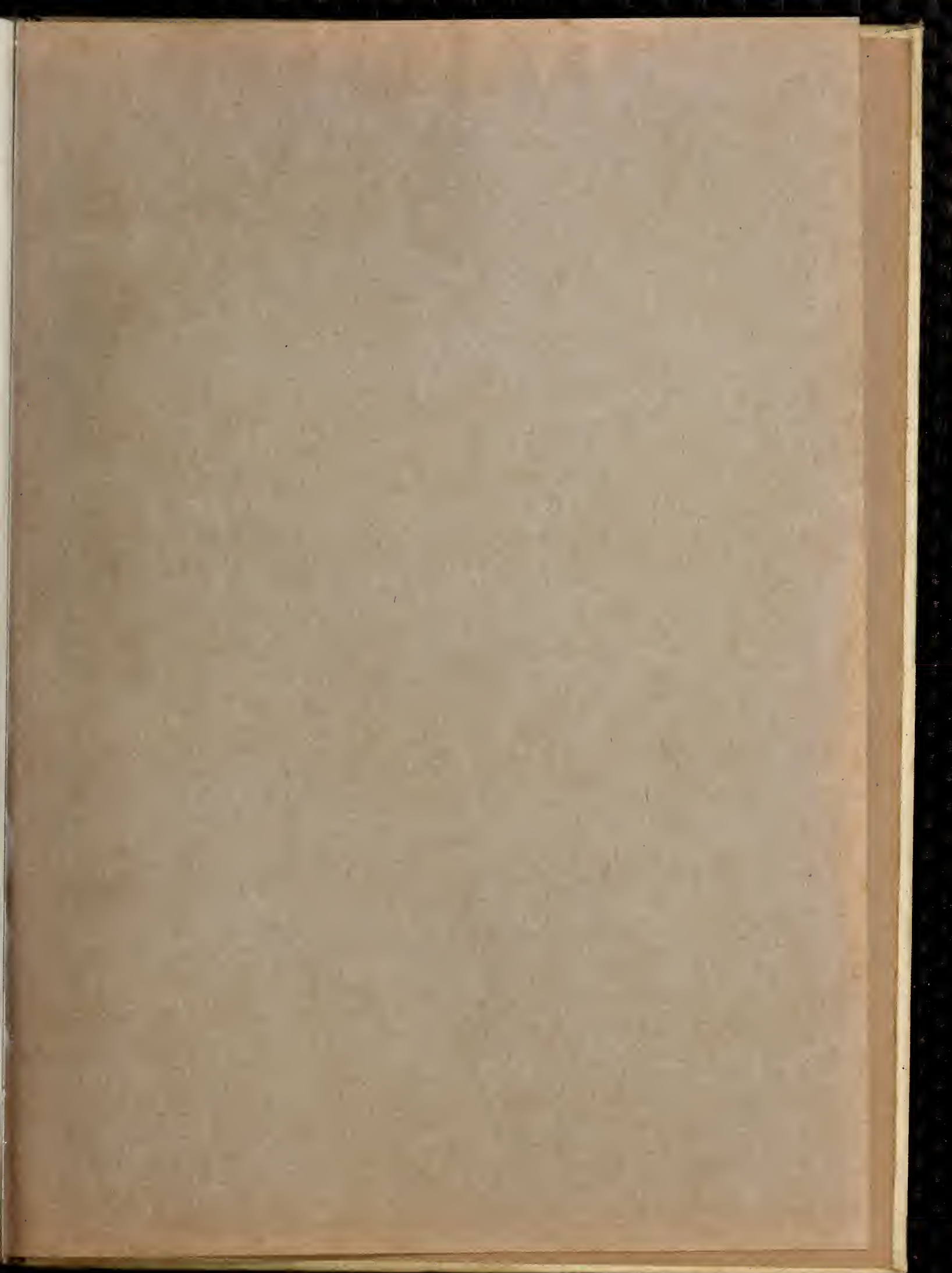


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